(*d*) If the answer is in the affirmative, whether the list had already been issued; if not, why not;

(*e*) if the answer to clause (c) is in the negative whether they will give the reason for not accepting the recommendation of the Committee Constituted for the purpose?

*A*—Sri H. SIDDAIYA (Minister for Revenue and Excise)—

(*a*) 4th January 1949.

(*b*) 11th March 1949.

(*c*) The question is under the consideration of Government.

(*d*) The list is not issued yet. There are still several candidates to be appointed from the existing approved list.

(*e*) The question does not arise *vide* answers to (c) and (d) above.

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**Transfer of enforcement of Prohibition to Police Department.**

*Mushir-ul-Mulk* J. MAHOMED IMAM (Chitaldrug-*cum*—Tumkur—Muslim).—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether they have decided to transfer the enforcement of prohibition to the Police Department;

(*b*) if so, how many officers of the Excise Department are thrown out or retrenched;

(*c*) how do they propose to absorb these thrown-out officials?

Sri H. SIDDAIYA (Minister for Revenue and Excise).—

*A*.—(*a*) Yes;

(*b*) There is a possibility of some officials in various classes becoming surplus in the Excise Department. The absorption of such officials in the Police and other Departments is being considered.

(*c*) *Vide* Answer to (b).

**Particulars relating to certain bechirak villages in Channagiri Taluk.**

Sri L. SIDDAPPA (Shimoga District—General).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the names of chirak (populated) and bechirak (depopulated) villages in the area in Channagiri Taluk bounded on two sides by the Kukwada-Ubrani range of hills commencing from Mavinahole and becharak villages of Malligere going along Mukwadamma temple, Hosahalli village and on to Joladhal village on the South and from Joladhal right up to Daginakatte and Yalodahalli villages near Basavapatna on the west and by Channagiri Malebennur road up to Sulekere on the East and the same road from Sulekere up to Basavapatna and thereafter by Basavapatna Honnali road up to the taluk boundary on the North;

(*b*) the year in which each of the bechirak villages became bechirak;

(*c*) the probable extent of the area in question in sq. miles;

(*d*) the population of each of the villages in the area according to the census figures of 1911, 1921, 1931, and 1941 census respectively (if any of the becharak villages was already becharak at any given time it may accordingly be noted as bechirak against the village);

(*e*) (i) the extent of lands under cultivation giving particulars of dry and garden in each of the said villages both charak and becharak, and the extent of current fallows;

(*ii*) the extent of unoccupied assessed waste in the years 1911, 1921, 1931, and 1941 and also according to the latest available figures as disclose from the Pahani account of the said villages.

Sri H. SIDDAIYA.—(Minister for Revenue and Excise).

*A*.— (*a*) *Vide* column I of the statement printed below.

(*b*) *Vide* column II of the statement printed below.

(c) *Vide* column III of the statement printed below.

(*d*) Figures available are furnished in coulmn IV of the statement printed below.

(*e*) (*i*) *Vide* columns V & VI of the statement printed below.

(*ii*) Information available is furnished in column VII of the statement printed below.